



# The William Henry Smith School

14th December 2020

Dear Parent / Carer,

We do hope you are well and keeping yourself safe.

We are writing to you keep you informed of our plans moving forward into the Spring Term and to thank you for your support in the current Covid-19 pandemic. The support you have offered, in terms of ensuring your children have maintained their positive pattern of attendance is appreciated. This has allowed us to work with your child, to address anxieties and support them with their learning behaviours, following a prolonged absence from the 'normal' routine of learning.

I am sure you will agree, the decision to reshape the curriculum to ensure a safe recovery of our whole school community has been successful. The learning opportunities that were created to build in structure and routine, while also allowing learners the flexibility to drive their own learning through topic work, arts and crafts and outdoor learning have been received positively and given opportunities for your child to progress in a range of ways.

Throughout Covid-19, the school has been forced into many changes in practice and delivery. Although we are conscious that the infection rate is still fluctuating and it is our duty to keep the school community safe, we are also conscious that some form of normality will have to be addressed.

From January, you will be again receiving a Topic web document and information about what your child will be studying over the forthcoming term. This will allow you to support your child where you see necessary and open opportunities to discuss your child's learning with the relevant people.

Once again, thank you for your support. We wish you a restful holiday period and look forward to working with you in the New Year.

Yours sincerely,

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